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March 29, 2004

HOFFMANN-LA ROCHE INC.
PATENT LAW DEPARTMENT
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US

Dear Sir/Madam,

This is to deny your refund request in the amount of \$6,410.00, for patent/serial number 10720908.

On claim 87 you refer to any of the proceeding claims, therefore claim 87 counts as 86 and because 87 counts as 86, 88, see enclosed claim counting sheet. counts as 86 also 89 and 90.

Sincerely,

ELEANOR KURTZ
Technical Center Others
Refund Branch, Office of Finance